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SUBJECT: ENERGY:SLT REVIEW PROCESS

BERN: PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING HANS C. SCHMID IN SWISS ENERGY
COMMISSION (CHAIRMAN OF IEA/SLT SUBGROUP ON CONSERVATION)
ON FRIDAY, MARCH 4 FROM CHAIRMAN OF SLT.

LONDON: PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING TO CHRIS HERZIG AT DEPART-
MENT OF ENERGY (CHAIRMAN OF IEA/SLT SUBGROUP ON NUCLEAR
ENERGY.

OECD: PLEASE PASS TO PETER KELLY, IEA SECRETARIAT.

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1. PRIOR TO THE LAST SLT MEETING, I CIRCULATED A NOTE
SETTING FORTH SOME GENERAL IDEAS ON THE SLT REVIEW PROCESS
FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE FEBRUARY 24-26 SLT MEETING (IEA/
SLT (77) 45). MY PURPOSE IN CIRCULATING THE NOTE WAS TO
STIMULATE DISCUSSION IN THE SLT OF THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR
FUTURE REVIEWS. HOWEVER, THE SLT WAS UNABLE TO CONSIDER

THIS TOPIC BUT I PLAN TO INCLUDE IT ON THE AGENDA FOR THE NEXT MEETING (MARCH 30-APRIL 1). I BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO CIRCULATE A MORE ELABORATED VERSION OF THE PAPER IN ADVANCE OF THAT MEETING. AS YOU WILL HAVE LEARNED FROM PETER KELLY IN THE SECRETARIAT, I WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH

MESSRS. HERZIG AND BORRE ON MARCH 16 TO OBTAIN THEIR REACTIONS AND IDEAS. HOWEVER, MR. SCHMID WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND AND I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF HE COULD CABLE ANY COMMENTS HE HAS DIRECTLY TO ME OR TO THE IEA SECRETARIAT.

2. IEA/SLT REVIEW PROCESS.

A) RECOMMENDED PROCEDURES FOR FUTURE REVIEWS AND SUGGESTED TIMETABLE. WE WILL NEED TO DECIDE IN THE SLT ON THE PROCEDURES FOR THE REVIEW PROCESS FOR NEXT YEAR AND LAY OUT A TIMETABLE FOR THE VARIOUS STEPS. FOLLOWING ARE MY TENTATIVE IDEAS ON THIS SUBJECT WHICH DELEGATIONS SHOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS ON MARCH 30:

MARCH/MAY -- THE CONSERVATION, ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT AND NUCLEAR SUBGROUPS WILL PREPARE BRIEF QUESTIONNAIRES ON IEA MEMBER COUNTRIES DESIGNED TO ELICIT DATA AND INFORMATION NECESSARY TO CONDUCT THE REVIEWS OF MEMBER COUNTRY ENERGY PROGRAMS.

MAY/JUNE -- THE SECRETARIAT WILL CONSOLIDATE THE SUBGROUP QUESTIONNAIRES.
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LIGHTING OF KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE SUBGROUPS OR BY REVIEW TEAMS. (NOTING THIS QUESTIONNAIRE AND DATA REQUESTS WOULD REPLACE THE THREE SEPARATE REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION MADE BY EACH OF THE SUBGROUPS AND INSURE EFFICIENCY IN SUBMISSIONS BY MEMBER COUNTRIES)

JULY/AUGUST -- COUNTRIES WILL SUBMIT REPLIES TO QUESTIONNAIRE (WE WILL NEED TO FIX A DATE BY WHICH REPLIES ARE REQUIRED).

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER -- THE SUBGROUPS WILL REVIEW THE COUNTRY DOCUMENT PREPARED BY THE SECRETARIAT TO ASCERTAIN ADDITIONAL FACTUAL INFORMATION AND IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL MAJOR ISSUES WHICH SHOULD BE ADDRESSED BY THE SLT DURING ITS REVIEW OF MEMBER COUNTRY ENERGY PROGRAMS.

NOVEMBER/JANUARY -- THE SLT WILL REVIEW MEMBER COUNTRY ENERGY POLICY AND PROGRAMS IN PLENARY SESSION. THE

THREE SUBGROUP CHAIRMEN WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE REVIEW PROCESS. WE WILL NEED TO DECIDE ON THE SCHEDULE FOR THE SLT REVIEW AND IDENTIFY RAPPORTEURS. WE WILL ALSO NEED TO DESCRIBE THE ROLE OF THE RAPPORTEURS IN SOME DETAIL. WE SHOULD ENDEAVOR TO ENSURE THAT IN THE SELECTION OF RAPPORTEURS, ADEQUATE REPRESENTATION FROM EACH OF THE SUBGROUP IS MAINTAINED.

FEBRUARY/MARCH -- THE SLT WILL PREPARE A REPORT ON THE RESULTS OF THE REVIEW FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE GOVERNING BOARD. THIS REPORT WILL COVER ELEMENTS SIMILAR TO THOSE IN THE REPORT WHICH WAS PREPARED ON THE REVIEW JUST COMPLETED. DEPENDING ON FURTHER PROGRESS IN DEFINING AN IEA GROUP OBJECTIVE FOR REDUCED DEPENDENCE, THE SLT REPORT SHOULD PROBABLY INCLUDE A RECOMMENDED OBJECTIVE FOR 1986.

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B) IN-DEPTH REVIEWS:

TO SUPPLEMENT THE REVIEW PROCEDURES DESCRIBED ABOVE, 6 OR 7 COUNTRIES WILL BE SELECTED EACH YEAR FOR AN IN-DEPTH EXAMINATION. THIS WILL CONSIST OF A VISIT TO THE COUNTRIES SELECTED BY A TEAM OF 3 TO 5 OFFICIALS CONSISTING OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM EACH OF THE THREE SUBGROUPS AND APPROPRIATE SECRETARIAT SUPPORT.

ON THE BASIS OF INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS WITH SOME OF THE COUNTRIES INDICATED BELOW, I SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING SIX COUNTRIES FOR AN IN-DEPTH EXAMINATION THIS YEAR: JAPAN, NORWAY, NEW ZEALAND, CANADA, GREECE AND AUSTRIA. THIS SELECTION IS BASED ON THE NEED TO ACHIEVE GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSIFICATION, A BALANCE BETWEEN LARGE COUNTRIES (WHOSE CONTRIBUTION TO THE OVERALL IEA EFFORT IS SIGNIFICANT) AND SMALLER COUNTRIES, APPROPRIATE BALANCE BETWEEN ENERGY PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS, AND THE NEED TO ENSURE MORE DETAILED INFORMATION ABOUT SPECIFIC MEMBER COUNTRIES' ENERGY PROGRAMS.

ON THE BASIS OF THE INITIAL QUESTIONNAIRE AND RESPONSES OBTAINED FROM MEMBER COUNTRIES, THE IN-DEPTH REVIEW TEAM WOULD PREPARE QUESTIONS AND LINES OF INQUIRY ON SPECIFIC ISSUES RELEVANT TO THE ENERGY PROGRAM OF THE COUNTRY TO BE VISITED. THIS WOULD BE DONE IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SUBGROUPS. ON THE BASIS OF INFORMATION OBTAINED DURING THE EXAMINATION, THE TEAM WOULD PREPARE A BASIC DOCUMENT ON THE MAJOR FINDINGS OF THE VISIT AND INCLUDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVING SPECIFIC ASPECTS OF ENERGY PROGRAMS IN EACH COUNTRY. THIS DOCUMENT WOULD

PROVIDE THE BASIS FOR THE SLT'S REVIEW OF THAT COUNTRY'S
ENERGY PROGRAM.

I SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING TIMETABLE FOR THE IN-DEPTH
REVIEW PROCEDURE, WHICH WILL PARALLEL THE "NORMAL"
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REVIEWS TO BE CONDUCTED ON THE BASIS OF THE BASE DOCUMENT
PREPARED BY THE SECRETARIAT.

MARCH 30-APRIL 1 SLT MEETING -- IDENTIFICATION OF
COUNTRIES TO BE VISITED DURING 1977 AND COMPOSITION OF
THE REVIEW TEAM FOR EACH COUNTRY. (IT WOULD BE HELPFUL
IF COUNTRIES IDENTIFIED IN THE SUGGESTED LIST ABOVE
WERE PREPARED TO INDICATE WHETHER IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE
FOR THE IN-DEPTH REVIEW FOR THE COUNTRY VISIT TO TAKE
PLACE THIS YEAR.

APRIL -- PREPARATION OF QUESTIONNAIRE BY THE REVIEW TEAM
AND LOGISTICAL ARRANGEMENTS.

MAY/OCTOBER -- VISITS TO CAPITALS BY THE REVIEW TEAM AND
GATHERING OF INFORMATION WHICH WILL PROVIDE THE BASIS
OF THE REPORT BY THE REVIEW TEAM TO THE SLT.

NOVEMBER/JANUARY -- SLT REVIEW.

C). AS INDICATED IN MY EARLIER NOTE ON THIS SUBJECT,
WE WILL ALSO NEED TO DISCUSS THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN
THE SLT REVIEW AND THE REVIEW OF NATIONAL ENERGY R & D
PROGRAMS. I HOPE TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THIS
WITH THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CRD PRIOR TO OUR MEETING ON
MARCH 30.
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